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Meeting: MAPT Community Reference Group

Date and Time: 5.00pm-6.00pm, Tuesday 23 September 2025

Location: Arts Centre Boardroom, Theatres Building

Chair: Penny Hutchinson

Attendees (CRG members)	
Penny Hutchinson (PH) Chair	Eileen Pang (EP)
Sulagna Dasgupta (SD)	Clair Richards (CR)
David Hamilton (DH)	Dave Walton (DW)
Dan O’Keeffe (DOK)	Maureen Clifford (MPC) Secretariat

Guests	
Michael Parry (MParry), MAP Co	Tom Kelly (TK), Development Victoria
Mary Parker (MParker), MAP Co	Sandali Chandrasekara (SC), Development Victoria
Don Heron (DH), National Gallery of Victoria	Fiona Dunne (FD), Arts Centre Melbourne
Eloise McGurn (EM), City of Melbourne	Treise Armstrong (TA), MAP Co

Apologies	
Southbank3006	

Agenda items		
#	Item detail	Presenter(s)
1	WELCOME - Acknowledgement of Country - Welcome/ introductions	Chair
2	ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES - Outstanding actions noted: #24, #28, #29, #33, #36, 38 - open #34 – timeframe changed to 2026 #39 - completed - Live Issues list: - There were no changes to the Live Issues list	MPC/ All
3	ARTS CENTRE MELBOURNE UPDATE Arts Centre Melbourne presented on the State Theatre works, focusing on the approach to materials, seat design and prototypes.	FD
4	WORKS UPDATE - Development Vic provided works updates as follows: - MAPT North/ ACM - Works are progressing well, with bulk excavation complete for the expansion of the Theatres Building	SC/ TK

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	○ Next steps will include pouring the slab, building the walls up to ground level, and punching through the existing wall of the Theatres Building • MAPT South/ NGVC ○ Piling to continue on the site until the end of the year ○ Harris Civil will be doing limited night works that require closing a lane on the southern side of Southbank Bvd with appropriate traffic management in place	
5	COMMUNICATIONS & ENGAGEMENT • MAP Co gave an overview including: • Recent media coverage ○ Coverage of ACM's milestone announcement ○ Open House Melbourne weekend ○ Laak Boorndap in Sanctuary & ABC Organic Gardener magazines ○ RESET Festival and the planting party at the Test Garden ○ Sangeeta Sandrasegar textile installation in the Atrium • Social media activity and web content • Community engagement including: ○ Singapore's Liveable Cities visit to Fed Sq and MAPT site ○ MAPT marquee at Chinese Traditional Cultural Festival	MParker
6	GENERAL BUSINESS • Perimeter site tours of MAPT project to be organised for Southbank3006 and Southbank Resident Association executives • Back of House tour of Fed Sq to be organised for CRG members and Southbank Sustainability Group • NGV offering tickets to the Boston French Impressionism exhibition to CRG members, and Century Towers and Triptych residents • Update on CRG Secretariat with change of Maureen Clifford's role	All - open discussion
7	NEXT MEETING/ CLOSE • Meeting closed at 6.05pm ○ Next meeting – Tuesday 2 December 2025	Chair

Actions:

New Actions:

No.	Action	Timeframe	Who	Status
40	Change date for Action Item #34	By next mtg	MAP Co	Open
41	Share link to OHM Arts Precinct audio tour	By next mtg	MAP Co	Open
42	Share media clips – SBS, Sanctuary & ABC Organic Gardener magazines	By next mtg	MAP Co	Open

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43	Perimeter site tours of MAPT project to be organised for Southbank3006 and Southbank Resident Association executives	Q4 2025-Q1 2026	MAP Co	Open
44	Back of House tour of Fed Sq to be organised for CRG members and Southbank Sustainability Group	Q4 2025-Q1 2026	MAP Co	Open

Existing/ outstanding Actions:

No.	Action	Timeframe	Who	Status
24	MAP Co to enquire about CRG visit to Burnley campus to see garden research	Q4 2025	MAP Co	Open
28	Future presentation on sustainability across the project incl water recycling	2025	MAP Co	Open/ as is
29	Information on types of lighting and if there were investigations into colour temperature impacts on flora and fauna	2025	MAP Co	Open/ as is
33	Impact to Kavanagh amenity during works to be shared at a future meeting	2025	MAP Co/ DV	Open
34	Future presentation on plans for Kavanagh St design and amenity	2026	MAP Co/ DV	Open
36	Provide updates at Kavanagh St buildings body corporate meetings – when key information available. CRG members to provide dates.	2025-2026	MAP Co/ CRG members	Open
38	Update slide showing pedestrian routes from Kavanagh St into NGVC (on completion) and share for feedback	By next meeting	MAP Co	Open

Closed Actions:

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1	Recent media to be shared with the group	14/07/2023	MAP Co	Now BAU
2	An edited version of the presentation to be shared with CRG members	14/07/2023	MAP Co	Completed in advance of mtg
3	Schedule of proposed 2023 meeting dates to be circulated	14/07/2023	MAP Co	Completed in advance of mtg
4	CRG minutes with members names to be published on MAP Co website	14/07/2023	MAP Co	Completed in advance of mtg
5	CRG members to provide feedback on Terms of Reference by end July	27/07/2023	CRG members	Completed in advance of mtg
6	Terms of Reference to be ratified	Next meeting	CRG members	Completed at mtg
7	Review organisations highlighted on Arts Precinct wayfinding map	20/10/2023	MAP Co	Completed
8	Send meeting invitation for next meeting	15/09/2023	MAP Co	Completed

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9	Send invitation for CRG site tour	15/09/2023	MAP Co	Completed
10	Send link to Vegetation Factsheet on MAP Co website	15/09/2023	MAP Co	Completed
11	Confirmation of next meeting date, in 2024	31/11/2023	MAP Co	Completed
12	Respond to question about load capacity of CitiPower pit lid	31/11/2023	DV	Completed
13	Respond to question about wildlife in the London Plane trees	31/11/2023	DV	Completed
14	Respond to question about Men's Shed	16/04/2023	MAP Co	Completed
15	Respond to question about reinstatement of Kavanagh Street bluestone footpath	31/11/2023	DV	Completed
16	CRG members to confirm 2024 meeting schedule	28/02/2024	CRG members	Completed in advance of mtg
17	MKR requested pdf files on MAP Co and DV websites be linkable to make them easier to share with community	30/03/2024/ ongoing	MAP Co/ DV	Completed
18	Live issues list to be created for noting/ discussion at future meetings	16/04/2024	MPC/ MAP Co	Completed in advance of mtg
19	LD to follow up on sections of footpath considered a trip hazard	06/02/2024	LD/ DV	Closed 03/09/2024
20	MKR to send MAP Co screen shots of Southbank3006 Facebook comments where relevant	30/03/2024/ Ongoing	MKR	Now BAU
21	Future presentation on CoM greening projects in Southbank and CBD	23/07/2024	EM/ CoM	Completed
22	EM to follow up on workers parking in Dodds St disability parking	16/04/2024	EM/ CoM	Completed
23	EM to follow up on bluestone repairs outside Triptych building	23/07/2024	EM/ CoM	Moved to Live Issues List
25	CRG members to be added to distribution list for works notices	30/03/2024	LD/ DV	Completed in advance of mtg
26	CRG members to be sent a link when DV website is updated with construction works notices	30/05/2024	MAP Co/ DV	Closed 03/09/2024
27	CRG members to advise MPC quantities of hard copy materials they'd like including Community Update (English & Simplified Mandarin), corporate brochure, project business cards with contact info, postcards	30/05/2024	CRG members	Now BAU
30	Based on traffic impacts from upcoming works in Fawkner & Fanning streets, would it be possible to allow a right turn from Southbank Bvd into Fawkner St during the period of works.	Before start of works/ next meeting	LL/ CoM	Closed 26/11/2024 – not possible based on safety and works schedule

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31	Link to the VicRoads 'Report an Incident' webpage to be shared with CRG members	December	MAP Co	Completed
32	Add new Live Issue – resident concerns regarding pedestrian access to St Kilda Rd	December	MAP Co	Completed
35	Review proposed 2025 meeting dates and advise availability	Feb 2025	CRG members	Completed
37	Send CRG members information on the Melbourne Conversations event with James Hitchmough	20/03/2025	MAP Co	Completed
39	Share links to Open House Melbourne and ABC News story on Beyond Barriers exhibition	5 July	MAP Co	Completed